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TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) The existing rules to get a telephone connection in the rural areas;

(b) the number of the applications registered for telephone connections in Jharkand and Bihar during the last two years and the current year so far;

(c) the number of the subscribers whom telephone connections have actually been provided and the number of applicants in the waiting list during the above period; and

(d) the time by which applicants listed in the waiting list are likely to be provided telephone connections?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRIMATI S MAHAJAN)

(a) Sir, the telephones are provided as per date of registration under a particular category as per existing rules, no separate criteria has been laid down for providing telephone connection in rural areas.

(b) &(c): the information is given in the Annexure.

(d) The waitlisted applicants are likely to be provided telephone connections progressively by 31st March 2003.

ANNEXURE

Name of the Circle of telephone	No. of applications received for registration			No. of Subscribers who have been provided telephone connections			No. of applications in the waiting list		
	2000-2001 @	2001-2002 to 30.6.2002	1.4.2002 to 30.6.2002	2000-2001 @	2001-2002 to 30.6.2002	1.4.2002 to 30.6.2002	2000-2001 @	2001-2002 to 30.6.2002	1.4.2002 to 30.6.2002
Bihar (Including Jharkhand)	241957	207121	42377	264396	216882	28539	83757	72996	86834
Jharkhand	59340	17089	68804	6735	3858	14212			

@ Bihar and Jharkhand were one circle earlier.